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BILLY BIRCH, the negro minstrel who died yesterday, was one of the numerous ex-husbands of Fay Templeton, the

M. H. DEYOUNG, of San Francisco, dined with President Harrison one day last week. Being a man of delicacy, the host did not suggest a dish of crow.

THE suggestion that the offices of city engineer and superintendent of sewers should be consolidated is a good one. A capable civil engineer should be able to part of the administration to retain him look after the sewer system of a city like Helena, and in fact it should be a part of the duty of the city engineer. By all means let the consolidation be made in the interest of economy.

THE conference of American nations which is to be held in Washington this year is one of the pet schemes of Secretary Blaine, who had taken steps for the holding of such a conference while he was still in the Garfield cabinet. It was one of the first plans of Mr. Blaine that President Arthur upset upon his acces sion to the executive office.

A CALL for a meeting Thursday evening, at 7:30 o'clock, of residents of the west side, to consider the selection of a James were received from Sheriff Heyfron candidate for school trustee in place of and placed in the penitentiary by Marshal Mr. Bullard, whose term is about to ex- Kelly on Sunday. These men were conpire, to be voted for on Saturday, is published in another column. This is a subject which should engage the attention of all good citizens, and especially of

THERE is a suggestion for the consti- man was convicted of murder in the second tution-makers of Montana in the state- degree and sentenced to twelve years at ment in Illinois newspapers that legisla-tion in the state named is retarded by the large membership of the legislature.

The receipt of Overman swells the num-the large membership of the legislature. The Illinois senate is composed of 51 dozen. Their sentences range from ten members and the house of representative dozen. Their sentences range from ten years to life. This number does not include those convicted of mansiaughter, of tives of 153 members. Each member of either body naturally regards it as a part of his duty to introduce at least one new bill, while some go as high as six or the last year.

Considering the fact that David art, a member of the Moffat is a millionaire and under no of directors of the National Conobligation to give an account of such a | federate Soidiers' Home at Austin, Tex. sum as \$21,000 which he might wish to received a telegram from the president of use for any special purpose, there seems the board of directors at Austin, saying no sufficient basis for the covert insinuation by the Salt Lake Tribune that the story the banker tells of his robbery on Friday last is an invention. Were he a penniless clerk the case would be different. Under the circumstances Mr. Moffat's story must be accepted as true, though one of the most sensational on

SINCE the rejection of Field Marshal Murat Halstead's nomination as minister to Germany it has been suggested that the appointment be given to another great soldier and journalist, Col. Elliott F. Shepard, editor of the New York Mail and Express, to-wit. It cannot be urged against Col. Shepard that even in the heat of passion he ever criticised a republican senator or a republican officeholder of any rank or degree whatsoever. The colonel takes his politics as his readers take his scriptural injunctions, without protest.

PRESIDENT HARRISON is addicted to punning, which some one who couldn't make a pun once termed "the lowest order of wit." Recently the president referred to a certain class of office-seekers as "the disconsulates." Upon another occasion Gen. Harrison perpetrated a pun that was quite as bad. He had been introduced to Mr. Child, of Ohio, an applicant for the office of public printer, who plead his own cause quite volubly, assuring the president that if he were appointed he would be entirely free from entangling alliances, and could exercise the duties of the office without fear or favor. "I have made no promise to any one," he said. "I am not pledged to man, woman or child." "And yet," said the presidant, looking him straight in the face as he said it, "and yet you want me to pledge myself to a Child." If this administration proves a failure the reason will be plain to be seen.

Two fair Americans who have allied themselves matrimonially with distinguished Britons are not showing towards each other that cordiality which should characterize nieces of good Uncle Sam when they are among strangers. One of the social events of London is the annual the social events of London is the social ev themselves matrimonially with distinwinter carnival, and those who are invited to take part in it generally consider themselves highly favored. In arranging for the winter carnival a few weeks ago the lady managers invited both Lady Randolph Churchill, daughter of the late Larry Jerome, the famous New York turfman, and Mrs. Joseph Chamberlain, the third wife of the English radical Mob and daughter of Cleveland's secretary of war, Mr. Endicott, to participate, but to ther surprise were informed in each case that the invitation would be accept-. ed only with the understanding that the other should not be upon the list. The contretemps came so late and so unexpectedly that efforts to conceal the ill liver to a healthy activity, without irritating or weakening them, use Syrup of feeling that existed only made matters Figs.

THE INDEPENDENT known to the general public, but whatever it is it has now extended to the husbands, and Lord Randolph Churchill and the Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain no

longer speak as they pass by.

THE BROOM AT WORK. A dispatch from Washington published n this issue of the INDEPENDENT plainly indicates the purpose of the administration to proceed with the substitution of republicans for democrats in the civil and diplomatic service as rapidly as eircumstances will permit. The list of offices given in that dispatch as those which must be filled-the imperative mood being adopted in accordance with the spirit which pervades the departments-is a large one, and includes many posts of importance. It does not appear that vacancies exist in many of the offices named, and the good of the service foes not so imperatively require the removal of the incumbents as the hungry republicans who are "waiting for something to turn up." The administration has spasms of virtue when it is announcd that the changes will be made slowly and only after mature deliberation over each special case, but the recovery is rapid, so that no time is lost in ridding Entered at the Postoffice at Helena as secondthe service of democrats.

Diplomatic appointments are always supposed to be subject to change upon the incoming of a new administration, unless there is some special reason for continuing the old minister, and such occasion seems to exist in the case of the present representative of the United States in China, whose experience will be of value in avoiding an open rupture between the two governments arising from the enactment of the exclusion act by the last congress. Regardless of whether Mr. Denby is a democrat or a republican, it would be wisdom on the

for the present. In view of the prospect of a "clean sweep" in the civil service, it is interesting to know that when the Cleveland administration retired there were 2,352 appointees of previous administrations and 1,036 democratic appointers in the departments at Washington. Odds could be safely given that not a score of the democrats will be left at the close of the first twelve months of Mr. Harrison's regime. Let the good work go on.

THE CRIMINAL RECORD.

Lodge Penitentiary Increasing. DEER LODGE, April 2 .- [Special to the Independent. |-Chas. Overman and Robt soula. Overman is the young colored soldier who killed another colored soldier named Wheeler at Fort Missoula Oct. last. At first the killing was thought to be the result of an accident, but subsequent developments proved different, and Over-

NEW YORK, April 2.-Major Stew

the Texas legislature had passed a bill leasing the old capitol building at Austin for ten years at \$5 per annum. The state constitution forbids the property being given, and hence this nominal rental. The present income will maintain fifteen in-mates annually, as the cost is about \$8 per month per capita. Up to this date about \$15,000 has been sent to the treasurer, Chauncey M. Depew, for the home.

The Old Board Retained. CHICAGO, April 2.—The Chicago & Alton stockholders met to-day in annual session and unanimously re-elected the old board of directors and officers of the company, The only vacancy was that caused by the death of Lorenzo Blackstone. The position was filled by the election of the late director's son, W. Blackstone. The old of-ficers were re-elected at a subsequent meet-

Great Falls Notes. GREAT FALLS, April 2 .- [Special to the Independent.]-Robert Vaughn, Julius Horst and other lovers of sport are solicit ing funds for the Northern Montana Agriculture, Mineral and Racing Association which was recently organized here. The new water works company invited oids for the preliminary work.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., April 2.-Prof. Swift, of the Warner observatory, has received a telegram from the Lick observatory announcing the discovery last evening by Prof. Barnard of a new comet. Position right ascension, five hours and twenty minutes, fifty seconds; declination, north, twenty-six degrees seven minutes. It has a slow motion southwest.

Another College for Women. NEW YORK, April 2.-In accordance with the action of the trustees of Columbia college this afternoon, that institution will probably soon have a sister college for women. It was decided to call the new seat of learning Barnard college.

CHANGE OF TIME.

Through Chair Cars to Kansas City. The Minneapolis & St. Louis railway, 'Albert Lea Route," ever ready to meet the demands of the traveling public, upon March 17th, 1889, inaugurated a through chair car service between St Paul, Minneapolis and Kansas City, leaving St. Paul daily, except Sunday, at 9:10 a. m., Minne apolis at 9:50 a. m.

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Sheep-Receipts, 5,000; strong and 10c higher; natives, \$5.70(5)5.00; western corn-fed, \$4.50(2)5.55;

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